Filling up of the post of the Project Director, Nuclear Research Laboratory, IARI

3295. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that post of the Project Director, Nuclear Research Laboratory in IARI has been lying vacant for considerable time and has not been filled up despite having been advertised and interviews fixed by the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board and ICAR are now working for mutual benefit as Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board chief is a permanent employee of ICAR; and

(d) if so, whether the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board is likely to be merged with UPSC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Non-availability of a suitable Scientist.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

Setting up of phosphate fertilizer plant at Paradeep

3296. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) by when the Phosphatic Fertilizer Factory established at Paradeep in Joint Venture is likely to be completed and production started;

(b) the amount spent so far on the said project and what is the share of Government of India; and

(c) what was the estimated cost of the project and whether the cost has increased due to escalation of prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZER IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) The Paradeep Fertilizer Project is being implemented in two phases. Phase-I of the project, consisting of DAP plant and related offsite facilities, has been commissioned within the scheduled date of 1st March, 1986.

Work on Phase-II of the project, comprising Phosphoric Acid, Sulphuric Acid and Captive Power Plants, is in progress and scheduled for completion by November, 1987.

(b) The total expenditure on the project upto 31st October, 1986 was Rs. 301.28 crores. The Government of India has so far contributed Rs. 248.48 crores towards equity capital and loan.

(c) The project cost was estimated at Rs. 386.77 crores based on prices prevailing on 1-1-83. The cost of the project is, however, expected to increase due to changes in scope, exchange rate variations, increase in the administered prices of steel and cement, increase in the interest rate on Government loans and escalation during the construction period.

काली बाड़ी मार्ग, नई दिल्ली में पुराने एक मंजिल वाले मकान

3297. **श्री राम नरेश कुशवाहा :** क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने डी० आई० जैड० क्षेत्र में काली बाड़ी मार्ग पर बने हुए अनेकों पुराने एक मंजिले मकान उनमें बिजली और पानी के कनैक्शन देने